

Summary Approach to MIP Evaluation

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has turned down our evaluation plan for WMIP. We are turning to the State Legislature for the evaluation funding. There will be no changes in the evaluation plan as submitted to RWJ, with the exception of the changes in timing that result from the delayed startup.

The RWJ grant as submitted had seven types of deliverables based on an October startup. Adjusting for the January startup, those deliverables were:

- Ongoing monitoring and evaluation findings from administrative data.
- **Enrollee Characteristics Fact Sheets** (first year and ongoing) from administrative data. These brief two and four-page fact sheets will cover baseline differences in the need and prior service use characteristics of clients, at startup and as each added set of services is phased in. They will describe the baseline distribution of chronic conditions, mental health and chemical dependency treatment needs, and ADL needs (from ADSA assessments) for WMIP clients.
- **June 2006 Baseline Health Status Report** from administrative data: This report will compare WMIP clients at baseline with two sets of comparison groups: 1) the rest of the Snohomish County aged, blind and disabled clients, and 2) similar aged-blind-disabled clients elsewhere in the state. The report will compare rates at baseline and the “pre-WMIP” year in health status, care coordination, access to care, quality of care, and service use.
- **November 2006 Client Satisfaction Report** from a telephone Client Survey of WMIP clients and comparison group clients. This report will discuss current client satisfaction with their care and care coordination, and compare it to the satisfaction of similar clients elsewhere in the state who are not enrolled in WMIP. The report will also discuss client’s self-reported assessment of differences in their care and care coordination between current year and prior (pre-WMIP) year.
- **November 2006 Provider Satisfaction Report** from a mail Provider Survey of WMIP providers and comparison providers. This report will compare provider satisfaction under WMIP with similar providers not participating in WMIP.
- **February 2007 First Year Impact Report:** One year impact report from administrative data, covering changes in health status, care coordination, access to care, quality of care and service use outcomes during the first year of WMIP (2005). This report will use a difference of differences model, comparing changes in WMIP clients to changes in similar clients served through existing delivery systems elsewhere in the state. During 2005, WMIP will include up to six months of mental health services and no long-term care services, so changes in coordination for those services will be presumably be minimal.
- **February 2008 Two Year Impact Report:** Two-year impact report from administrative data (same model as above) covering the first two years of WMIP operation (2005 and 2006). This time period will include up to 18 months of mental health coverage, 12 months of long-term care coverage and two full years of medical managed care and chemical dependency treatment coverage.